Raymond L. Moore, II

ToReceive Degree

Raymond L. Moore, II, first cousin of Mr. Calhoun Moore, Miss Hilda Moore and Mr. William Moore of Appomattox, will receive the Doctor of Philosophy degree in English from the University of South Carolina at its May 14, 1977 graduation. Dr. Moore completed his residency work in 1972, and he just recently finished and defended his dissertation on "Confession in the Life and Writing of James Boswell." The other degrees earned by Dr. Moore are the Bachelor of Arts from West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1951, Master of Divinity from Duke University in 1954, and the Master of Arts in English from West Virginia University in 1967. He has been teaching English since 1967 at Columbia College (1967-71), the University of South Carolina (1971-72), and Sullins College (1972-76). Since Sullins College closed this past summer, Dr. Moore has been seeking a teaching position in English.

Dr. Moore in 1971 took an early retirement in the United Methodist Church after 21 years of service, 17 of which were in the West Virginia Annual Conference. Mrs. Martha Moore, wife, has been teaching English in public schools. John Stepehn Moore, son, is presently a sophomore at West Virginia Wesleyan College and on the varsity tennis team. The family resides on the campus of Sullins College in Bristol, Va. during this interim period; their address is Box 1397, Bristol, Va. 24201.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU

Mon., April 25 - Cheeseburgers, Green Beans, French fries, banana, roasted peanuts, milk.

Tues., April 26 - Beef stew w/potatoes, carrots, onions, tomatoes & lettuce salad, w/dressing, hot rolls, cherry cobbler, milk

Wed., April 27 - Hot dog on buns, w/chili, potato chips, buttered broccoli, sliced pears, cookies, milk

Thurs., April 28 - Oven fried chicken, green peas and creamed potatoes, sliced bread, sliced peaches, cookies, milk.

Fri., April 29 - Beef Barbecue on bun, cole slaw, baby lima beans, take W/icing, milk.

PRIMARY SCHOOL MENU

Mon., April 25 - Sausage sq., apple sauce, green peas, roll, butter, milk, graham crackers

Tues., April 26 - Ham biscuits, candided sweet potatoes, tossed salad, fruit, milk

Wed., April 27 - Turkey roll and gravy, creamed potatoes, string beans, roll, butter, milk, fruit

Thurs., April 28 - Hamburger on bun, french fries, slaw, jello, topping, milk

Fri., April 29 - Tomato soup & Crackers, grilled cheese sandwich, ice cream, milk.

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A LIVELY WEEKLY NEWSPAPER AT HISTORIC APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE, VIRGINIA

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Father Darkleaf

BY CALVIN ROBINSON

Greetings, at the start of the wrap-up week of an eventful April in Historic Appomattox. On daylight saving time now, and getting up earlier. Cooler than expected. My porch thermometer read 44 when I checked before breakfast. Sweater time, and keep an extra blanket available at the foot of the bed. Frost still a possibility, but my ten tomato plants and I hope not. And, speaking of gardens, one fellow solved two problems with one decision. He tied up tomato plants with old neckties!

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Life's embarrassing moments...saw a motorist out of gasoline at a major street intersection and a long line of cars backed up.

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Congratulations to Bro. H. Augustus Torrence (Gus) upon the occasion of his eightieth birthday, April 19th.

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Energy crisis on Martha Street? Not so. I spent half a day lawnmowing and pruning. Paid for it with sore muscles, but one gets a reward in looking over the result of work. Iris blooms are appearing but I am not counting on dayillies this year. And I have zero hopes for my ancient fig shrub. Onions are up.

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One learns to adjust. I just realized that I had not been out of Appomattox County this year! Friends I know are building up a travel record and I wish them well. My '63 car is no record holder, but I figured have put 12,000 gallons of gas in it. Maybe longer trips would make the mileage average better, but I read that you get top mileage at thirty-five miles per hour.

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Jim Walsh, of Vinton, is a nationally recognized authority on old songs and recording artists. Once I wrote him to ask if he knew of a song using the name "Appomattox." I quote from his reply: "...there was an odd coincidence on the day I received your letter. I was reading an out-of-print book, "The Man From Home" by Harry Leon Wilson, one of the principal characters of which is a lawyer from Kokomo, Indiana, who is attending to some business in Italy. At one point, while working on a car, he is singing softly to himself the chorus of Paul Dresser's 1900 ballad, "The Blue and Gray", which begins: 'One lies down near Appomattox, many miles away.'" Walsh has been a featured columnist for **HOBBIES** magazine for some forty years. Anyone know of a song mentioning Appomattox? I have no musical talent, but maybe you do and will write one.

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ACHS teams are doing well, boys and girls. Give them a hand. And, after a dismal start, my favorite New York Yankees are moving up the ladder.

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An appropriate verse from The Song of Solomon..."For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of the birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land."

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Next week Goochland County, Virginia, will celebrate the 250th anniversary of its founding. Two-day observance beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday. Named for William Gooch, a colonial lieutenant governor, it once extended all the way to the Blue Ridge. Powhatan County, formed from Goochland, will celebrate its 200th anniversary in mid-May. Fredericksburg observes its 250th birthday Friday through Sunday. And May 8 will see a reenactment of the Battle of New Market in which 247 Virginia Military Institute cadets won distinction in 1864.

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Thanks for reading, and see ya next week.

Officers and Directors for the Appomattox County Area Development Corporation were elected at the annual dinner-meeting held on Wednesday evening of last week at Maude's Restaurant. Newly elected officers and directors are shown in photo above: front row from left to right, Dan Herncall, Treasurer; Mrs. Barbara Williams, Vice-President; and J. A. Smith, President; and on the back row, left to right, C. T. Moses, Director; Roy Moon, Secretary; Dr. A. A. Fratrick, Director; Brod Pack, Director; John C. Cole, Director; and Bob Stewart, Director and guest speaker. Sonny Tolley, a Director, was not available for photo.

Officers And Directors Elected

New Officers and directors were elected at the annual dinner-meeting of the Appomattox County Area Development Corporation held on Wednesday evening of last week at Maudes Restaurant.

Bob Stewart, owner and manager of the Amelia Dress Company, Inc., was guest speaker for the evening. Amelia Dress has a factory in Appomattox, one in Pamplin City, one in Farmville, and one in Amelia. They employ 460 persons, 180 of these in Appomattox. Stewart showed styles and types of garments they are now manufacturing.

The President, Jim Smith, gave a report to the group attending. He said there are six major industrial employers in the county - Amelia Dress Company, Appomattox Garment Company, Caryn Lynn Fashions, Inc., Cloverhill Manufacturing Company, Sangill Garment Company and Thomasville Furniture Company. These companies employ 1265 people, have an annual payroll in excess of $8 million and pay nearly $92 thousand in county taxes.

Smith added that another industry just out of the county is of sufficient economic interest to mention. Virginia Fibre Corporation in 1976 purchased $443 thousand worth of pulpwood from this county.

As late as 1970, 38% of the county's work force found employment outside the county With increase in local job opportunities it would appear that this percentage is reduced. Smith added. Our people need more and better jobs. In 1974 the median family income was $8,026, but still below the state average of $9,105. In 1970 nearly 18% of the county's families had incomes less than poverty level.

Smith told the members of the Appomattox County Area Development Corporation that he has enjoyed working with this organization, attending Industrial Development Seminars and meeting with pros pects. He will continue to do so as President for another year.

Football Coach Accepts New Position

Larry Carter

Appomattox County High School will have a new head coach for football this fall replacing Larry Carter who has accepted an offer to be head coach at Hopewell, a triple A school.

Carter came to Appomattox in 1975 after a very successful tenure at Rockbridge High School during which they won a district championship in the single A division. His success continued during his two years at Appomattox, a double A school, as he compiled a 14-5-1 record in the tough Seminole District. In 1976 two of his players won top honors in the district when William (BooBoo) Trent was voted Seminole "Back of the Year" and Phillip Jamerson received "Lineman of the Year" honors.

Larry will fulfill a desire when he assumes his duties as coach at a AAA school. We appreciate what he has done at ACHS and wish him much success in his future career.

photo by Joe Vaughan

Miss Appomattox - 1977

WANDA GAIL MOORE

Climaxing the day filled with a parade, luncheon, tea and pageant, Wanda Gail Moore was crowned "Miss Appomattox" - 1977.

Before a capacity crowd in the Appomattox County High School auditorium, Gail not only displayed her immense talent in baton twirling but she had also taped her own accompaniment of piano slections.

Gail is the lovely and talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Dallas Moore. She is 18 years old, 5'5" tall with dark brown hair and brown eyes.

At present Gail is a senior at Appomattox County High School and plans to attend the University of Virginia after graduation.

She will be representing Appomattox in the "Miss Virginia" Pageant in Roanoke this summer.

First Runner Up was Sharon Juanita Jackson. Sharon is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas E. Jackson. She is 18 years old and a senior at Appomattox County High School.

Second Runner Up was Margaret Annette Lampkin. Margaret is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lampkin. She is 19 years old, a 1976 graduate of Appomattox County High School and is employed by Caryn Lynn Fashions. Margaret was also voted "Miss Congeniality" by the other participants in the pageant.

Special recognition was given Kim Ferguson for her talent. Kim writes poetry and recited a selection of these as her talent presentation. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ferguson.

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RURAL VIRGINIANS ASKED TO VIEW MAY 1 TV SPECIAL

Jimmy Rosser, President of the Appomattox County Farm Bureau, urges all rural Virginians to watch the special program, "Disaster Survival" to be broadcast on NBC-TV, Sunday, May 1 at 8:00 P.M.

"The Farm Bureau joins with NBC-TV and the National TV & the National Safety Council in supporting this informational program," Rosser said: "The floods in Southwest Virginia show how important this could be to us," he said.

Included in the program will be a "Disaster Survival Test" to let people who watch know their ability to react to disasters. Copies of the test form are being distributed by the Farm Bureau to newspapers, schools and County Farm Bureau offices throughout Virginia.

Some of the topics to be covered by the program are forest fires, flash floods, boat accidents, tornadoes, snow storms, and home fires.

SORORITY PLANS BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

The Exemplar Chapter, Xi Gamma Tau, Beta Sigma Phi has announced that they will hold a free Blood Pressure Clinic on Saturday, May 7th from 12 noon until 4 p.m. at the Appomattox County Rescue Squad Building.

Assisting the sorority will be local nurses, the Appomattox County Rescue Squad members and the Piedmont Heart Association.

Because of the success of the previous clinic held last May, the sorority has undertaken to repeat this offer.

Xi Gamma Tau members hope to continue the clinics yearly or as long as interest holds in the area.

Lions Club To Meet Tonight

The Appomattox Lions Club will meet tonight, April 28, at 6:45 p.m. at Maudes Restaurant.

A talk by Miss Teresa Cyrus on "The Constitution" will be the program feature of the regular meeting. Teresa is a senior at Appomattox County High School and is a district and regional winner in the American Legion Oratorical Contest. This will be a most interesting and informative meeting and each member of the Lions Club will want to be present.

County Schools Provide Full Services For Exceptional Students

Appomattox County Public Schools provide full services for exceptional students who require special programs because of handicapping conditions. Legislation enacted by the 1972 session of the Virginia General Assembly require such a program for all handicapped children, ages 2-21 residing within the Commonwealth. The Standards of Quality require the identification of all exceptional children and program development for each child. The local division has screened and properly placed the students in appropriate educational settings.

Classes have been organized to serve students who are mentally retarded, physically handicapped, emotionally disturbed, learnig disabled, speech impaired, hearing impaired or multiple handicapped. Another group receiving services is composed of pre-school children who are developmentally delayed. Parents of the latter group and public agencies make referrals for services to be provided.

Children who are educable mentally retarded are those who reveal a reduced rate of intellectual development and level of academic achievement below that of their peer age group as evidenced by significant deficits in all essential learning processes. Children who are trainable mentally retarded are those whose educational needs cannot be met in a program designed for the educable mentally retarded because of an inability to acquire necessary skills as determined by a substantially reduced rate of intellectual development.

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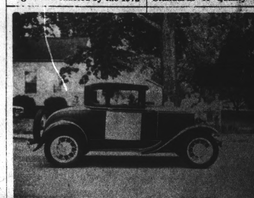

Mrs. Earl Hamner, Sr., parade grand marshall for the Miss Appomattox pageant parade can be seen in the "antique" car in which she was riding Saturday.

Mrs. Earl Hamner, Sr. - A Great Lady

By Frances H. Paulette

Appomattox was indeed honored on Saturday when Mrs. Earl Hamner Sr. of Schuyler, Va. was grand marshall in the Miss Appomattox parade. The mother of Earl Hamner, Jr., writer of the popular television series, The Waltons, she is also the mother of six other children of whom she is equally proud.

As we enjoyed coffee in her living room, she spoke with pride of her sixteen grandchildren ranging in age from nine to twenty-five years. The youngest, Harold was spending the week end with his grandmother. I asked him if he wouldn't like to join us for the trip to Appomattox and see his grandmother in the parade. He replied, very politely, "No, I'm going with my Uncle Jim to Charlottesville to see Elizabeth Taylor." Jim, a bachelor, lives with his mother and is Jim Bob on the television series.

Mrs. Harmer, now a widow, is a friendly, outgoing person who leads a full and most interesting life. Television and other public appearances keep her busy, but she still finds the time for the simple pleasures of life. Growing attractive house plants that fill her kitchen, and caring for the tulips and other

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RECEPTION PLANNED FOR "ANDY" MILLER

Andrew P. Miller, former Attorney General and candidate for Governor of Virginia in the Democratic Primary in June of this year, will be guest of honor at a reception planned for 6 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 5th at the Avalon Club.

The public is invited to attend.

Mr. Miller, being a working man's candidate, invites everyone to come as you are - from your office, from your job, from your home, from your farm. He looks forward to meeting with the people of Appomattox County.

BAND BOOSTER TO MEET

The Appomattox County High School Band Booster Club will meet on Monday evening, May 2, 1977 at 7:30 in the band room. All parents of band students are urged to attend this meeting.

Crumbs For Thought

BY ZEKE

A very wise lady, who lived to a ripe old age in spite of having me for a grandson had many "sayings". They covered many areas - planting, weather, etc. One of these sayings has saved me many hours of wondering. When as a pastor I wonder if a person would consider doing something for the church, her saying comes back to me. "Ask, they can only say two things, yes or no."

"Ask and it shall be given you
Seek and you shall find; knock
And it shall be opened."

Matt. 7:7

Changes In Flue-Cured Tobacco Program

The U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today announced two changes in marketing quota and price support regulations of the flue-cured tobacco program.

Under the first change, leases filed after June 14 will be disapproved if the quantity stipulated in the lease exceeds the difference between expected production on the lessor's planted acreage and production on those acres. Previously, a producer could lease out quota equal to the difference between expected production on the total allotment and production on planted acres.

Leases filed after June 14 will also be disapproved if the quantity stipulated in the lease exceeds difference between the receiving farm's quota and the amount of tobacco it has on hand to market. Previously, there was no limit on the amount of quota a producing farm could receive through lease. June 14 is used as a cut-off date because of limiting

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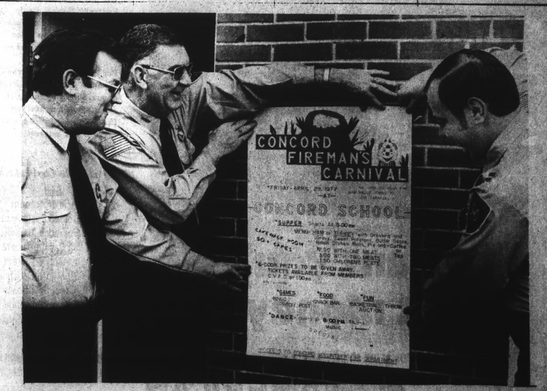

photo by Jimmy Ripley - THE NEWS

PREPARE FOR CARNIVAL - Concord Volunteer Fire Department members, from left to right, Frank Casper, president; Carrington Martin, chief; and Tom Shupe, captain; inspect poster announcing organization's annual fund raising carnival to be held Friday at Concord Elementary School. Supper will be served from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and you can get a delicious meal for adults at $2.50 or $3.00, children can eat for $1.50. Games will begin at 6 p.m. There will be an auction, door prizes and a drawing for a ham. Dancing will begin at 8 p.m. There will be something for the entire family to enjoy so plan to attend.

Firemen will have equipment on display for the public to inspect.

Note to those in Concord Fire District - "We'll come to your fire, you come to our carnival."